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Large Crowd Attended Sports Held Tuesday

Gleichen's annual sports day events were run off under ideal weather conditions with the largest crowd on hand in over a decade to witness the show.

The Pee Wee baseball game between Gleichen and Arrowwood was the first event and the boys gave a wonderful exhibition which was enjoyed by the spectators. Arrowwood won the game. Gleichen Pee Wee line up: Larry Plante, Jim Brown, Dick Haskings, Errol Barstad, Doug Wilson, Bobby Latourneau, Bill Walters, Carl Swisher and Keith Hutton.

The children's sports held the attention of the little people and a lot of the older folks for several hours in the afternoon. These events were always keenly contested.

In the baseball tournament three teams entered. Standard defeated Gleichen in the first game. The second game between Arrowwood and Standard was won by the former 8-5.

The day was wound up by a big dance in the hall which was well attended. Len Davis supplied the music.

TAXES AND MEN

A man will not end and buy smokes and a short time later he has sat on the ground, unemployed, then he is on the way to the hospital. He has no money, but he has taxes to pay. He has no money, but he has taxes to pay. He has no money, but he has taxes to pay.

It is not peculiar to this day and generation either. There were certain forms of taxes when man was in his primitive state little removed from the monkey. In those times and hundreds of years later it was a pleasure and a privilege to carve up the tax collector into small chunks when opportunity arose. We have become a little more refined in our protests, but still the complaint goes up loud and long.

Many a man pays out enough for gasoline for pleasure motoring to pay his taxes and never thinks about it. He smokes enough to pay his taxes but never worries about it. He lets a town clerk on expenditure that might cost the same as \$2 or \$3 more a year in taxes and the road is heard throughout the length and breadth of the whole country.

Taxes constitute a universal complaint from great nations to town lot holders. The howl from the sick-wake tax payers is similar in every respect to the international howl. A league of tax complainers would include each country in the world and every individual. It is the only cry in the world could stand because it has been to all nationalities. It is translated into all tongues that nothing is sorer than death or taxes.

Don't clip the garden grass too short. Many people go to endless trouble in the spring fertilizing, top-dressing and rolling, their lawns to effect much of the good they do at that time, by moving it too close all through the summer. The shorter the leaves the less the grass will be exposed to the burning sun. The more fertilizer and water will be required; and the easier it will be for weeds to encroach. The cutting bar of the lawn mower should never be set lower than 1 1/2 or two inches from the ground, except with creeping bent grasses, which are seldom used on garden lawns. Mowing should be frequent, so that clippings may be left on the lawn, where they form a good source of rich nutrient. If the grass has grown too long, however, the clippings must be raked off, as if they lie on the lawn they tend to smother the grass roots and cause dead patches to appear. Watering is valuable during the hot summer months. A good soaking once a week is more than a light sprinkling every other night. Watering should be continued until the soil is thoroughly moistened to a depth of four inches.

Canadian farmers are sowing 3.5 million more acres of wheat this year than last and increase prairie summer fallow by half a million acres. Prosperous conditions on the farms in the past few years plus the assurance of prices provided by the federal wheat contract enable farmers to plan ahead with confidence.



MARY GRANNAN

Mary Grannan is a 40-year-old personality with fans from six to sixty and from coast to coast. Just Mary and Maggie Maguire, two of her program creations, have become institutions of national renown. They were started for little CBC listeners, but turned out to have a much wider appeal. Just Mary Grannan is seen in this picture with some of her young admirers.

News Items of Local Interest

A. F. MacCallum entered a Calgary hospital last Friday to undergo an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Beach left on Friday for out for Saskatchewan where they intend to visit relatives for a short period.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Savie and Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnson left on Friday for an extensive motor trip in the United States.

Miss Pauline Sturmerman has returned home from attending the University in Edmonton.

The Legion Auxiliary wish to thank all those who in any way helped to make the lilac tea and home cooking sale the success it was.

George Desjardine who has been in the staff of Crowfoot school for some years has accepted a position with Everdale Home. George was a former resident of Gleichen.

Victor J. Marshall of Calgary spent Friday in town. He was born in Gleichen leaving here with his parents in 1917 to reside in Calgary.

Recently over the weekend Mrs. A. N. McLeay had as visitors from Calgary her sisters Miss Bonnet and Mrs. Hannayne and also the sister's husband.

A slight fall of snow and rain on Sunday helped the district crops. What we need is a real soak.

Mrs. Tom Hasketh has received word of the death of her only sister in the Old Country recently.

Rev. Mr. Morrison of Aldridge occupied the pulpit of the United Church last Sunday evening. During the day he spoke from the pulpit of Arrowwood and Cluny. The three congregations have extended an invitation to him to take charge of this pastoral charge.

Donations to the Legion funds to repair the fair grounds have been coming in very slowly and the public are recently requested to give their full support as soon as possible. Donations will be gladly received by Miss C. H. Johnston H. Bogue. The following donations have been received to date: week 0: C. Gilbert \$1; Dan MacDonald \$5; Owen Barber Shop \$5; Peter Warner \$10; Andy Johnson \$10; Queens Hotel \$30; B. Schirler \$2; W. McArthur \$1; H. James \$1.

The Legion Auxiliary held a very successful lilac tea and home cooking sale Saturday afternoon in the Legion Hall. The hall and tea tables were prettily decorated with bunches of lilacs and the tea tables had yellow vases with sprays of lilacs which gave the occasion a pleasant and social atmosphere. Mrs. Kay Kuschub held the lucky ticket in the draw for the hand embroidered cloth.

During the past week good progress has been made in laying the new watermain. The bull dozer, for filling in the ditches, arrived Saturday afternoon and on Monday morning started the work of filling in the deep trenches. These deep trenches have been the bane of motorists and pedestrians. Cars had to go blocks out of their way to get anywhere while pedestrians took the buffalo route but had to walk on narrow planks to get over the ditches. To



some of the ditches looked terribly deep especially when crossing on a narrow speaking and springing board.

Board of Trade

There was a very good turnout of members of the Board of Trade at the meeting last Thursday evening. President Mr. Brown occupied the chair.

The sports committee report that all is ready for the 24th of May sports except the payments of prize money. The committee has given power to decide the amount of money to be paid out in prizes.

The transportation committee recommended the drafting of a resolution regarding the highway over the reserve to Arrowwood. This is to be sent to the department of Public Works and the secretary of the town council of Arrowwood. The secretary was instructed to contact highway traffic board requesting that night reflector signs be placed on the highway.

Should a tennis club be formed in town the board signified its willingness to support the club with a donation.

A subject of special interest to the board was discussed namely a resident doctor for Gleichen since Dr. Farquharson is retiring and is leaving for an extended holiday. On motion of Rev. Williams a committee of three was appointed, composed of Mr. Duff, N. Anderson and J. McArthur to investigate the possibility of getting a resident doctor.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 2nd.

Alberta History

BY SENATOR GERSHAW

The first members of the cattle family to enjoy the grasses of Western Canada were the buffalo. The first white man to see them was Henry Kelsey, who came west in 1822. In the 1840s several other white men saw thousands of these shaggy beasts grazing along the Red River. Even after the police came in 1874 the Indians were living on eating the choice parts and using the hides for clothing and for the wigwags.

The very first cattle to see Western Canada were a bull and two cows brought in by the North-West Company and sold to Red River settlers before 1821. Shortly after this some Americans drove 300 head of cattle into the Manitoba settlement and sold them to the settlers. The cows sold for about \$150 each and the oxen \$90. For a time the numbers increased but later, due to lack of care and inbreeding, they decreased in numbers and in size. In the first drive the best cattle weighed about 1000 pounds. After fifteen years about 700 pounds was the best weight.

A second drive of U.S.A. cattle came in 1825, and it was thought that as buffalo could live without stables so could the cattle. The result was that most of them perished during the winter.

Previous to the passing of the buffalo there was no use of putting cattle on the Alberta ranges. Buffalo bulls would kill the range bulls and the cows would drift off with the herd of buffalo.

The buffalo disappeared rapidly. The I. G. Baker Company alone

shipped out 250,000 prime hides in 1874. The NWMP came in then and as they gave some assurance that law and order would prevail white settlers came in bringing a few cattle with them. Families came from Montana like the Olesens, McFarlands and Armstrongs. They settled near the police forts and supplied dairy products to the detachments. In 1874 a man named Shaw drove 600 beef cattle across the mountains into Alberta. There was plenty of grass and water but no market for the beef. There were no towns or railroads and over prairie trails it was a thousand miles to Winnipeg and 250 miles to Fort Benton, the nearest U.S. supply point.

In 1876 Jim Christy and George Emerson brought in separate herds of animals from the United States. The horses and cattle from these herds found a ready market among the settlers in Southern Alberta.

In 1877 the Treaty No. 7 was signed at Crowfoot Crossing. The Dominion government, having taken over the whole territory except the reserves, wished to encourage home making. They hoped to get the Indians to breed cattle so some fresh meat was given to one of the bands. The Red men took the food to the camp but drew it to the dogs because there still were buffalo available.

The next few years were years of many disasters. A prairie fire spread over the whole country and the buffalo were forced to go south to the United States. Thus the Indians lost their usual food supply and when starving they slaughtered the cattle of the range men. The white

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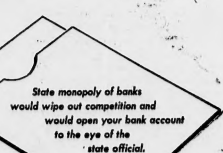
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Nomination Meeting

Public notice is hereby given that I will attend at the Town Office, Gleichen, on Thursday, 9th of June, 1949 from 11 a.m. till 12.00 noon for the purpose of receiving nominations of Candidates for the three vacancies on the Board of Trustees, Gleichen S.D. 103, for the ensuing two years.

Given under my hand at Gleichen 20th day of May, 1949.

Returning officer,
A. HORN.

Sugar beet production started in the production in his country because Canada in 1902 after Bismarck as of the value of the beet in the crop. Chancellor of Prussia, had subsidized rotation.

HERE AND THERE

Down in Bassano the men have decided to cut out shaving and by their beards advertising the fact that they will stage a rodeo on July 1st. By doing this they will kill several birds with one stone, save soap, razor blades and electrical power.

Preliminary school athletic events between Cluny, Old Sun and Gleichen schools were run off at the sports grounds last Friday. At the time of this writing the winners had not been announced. On the same day Hussar and Arrowwood schools ran off their preliminary contests. The winning schools will compete in the finals on June 4th at Gleichen.

John Charles English, a resident here for over six years died last Tuesday evening. He was well known by many of the towns people. The funeral took place Thursday afternoon with Major A. F. Pearson officiating after which interment was made in Evered cemetery.

Luke, our China laundry boy * and tailor has returned to town after a 15 months sojourn in his homeland, China. He is busy trying to find a building or house suitable for his business. His old stand is still vacant but he states it is unsatisfactory and is subject to many floods. He has

got tired of wading around in a couple of feet of water once or twice a year when the Gleichen river goes on the rampage. Here is hoping he soon opens for business since he is the best laundry man and clothes repair man Gleichen ever had. There are all kinds of work waiting for him.

Richard Bently age 83-years died here last week He was born in England and had lived in the Slavey district for over 40 years. The remains were shipped by G. W. Evans to Chesham for burial.

The main name of the weekly newspaper as the name implies, is to give news of its own district. A lot of news is not easily obtained and no editor can cover it all without assistance. Especially is this true when you have visitors. Many of the ladies think that persons are the most interesting reading of a paper. Your visitors are usually glad to have their names appear, so send them in. Sometimes people come in and give the impression that they are asking a favor when they want us to insert the names of their friends who have been spending a few days with them. No person need feel that way about giving us news items for we are glad to get them all.

Experimental Farm Notes. During the recent war and almost up to the present time, emphasis has been upon quantity production of poultry to a greater extent than efficiency of production. A guaranteed market for surplus at a good price permitted even relatively inefficient producers of poultry products to thrive. What the future may hold for markets and prices is uncertain. Should a boycott one persist almost indefinitely, maximum production with minimum output will still be good business. If the market declines, the emphasis must undoubtedly swing to more efficient production.

Feed is the biggest outlay in poultry raising. On the average, 50 to 60 percent of the cost of raising stock and 60 to 70 per cent of that for laying birds, is for feed. The maximum production of body weight or eggs, not the minimum intake of feed, should therefore be the most efficient phase of the poultry enterprise. Feed costs can be lowered in several ways. Well balanced rations can be fed so that the bird can make maximum growth, or egg production the greatest yield per unit

of feed, by using as high a proportion of homegrown grains as possible, or by providing good pastures, which will reduce the consumption of more costly feeds.

Estimates of the possible saving in feed through provision of good pasture for growing birds are as high as 20 percent. Maximum feed efficiency is probably obtained with high protein feeds which give very growth—as for example 4 pounds in twelve weeks on 12 lbs. of feed. When or such rapid growth is a good thing for pullets is open to question, however. The idea that pullets which are expected to stand the strain of heavy egg production for a full laying year should be grown relatively slowly, and not confined, but on good range pasture, many be sound.

An interesting comparison can be made between growth and feed consumption with birds reared on range, others grown rapidly on an up to date broiler ration. The fast grown birds weighed 6 pounds at 20 weeks, and the range reared at 26 weeks. For each pound of weight up to six pounds, 1-2 feed required was only slightly more, and at some weights was actually less, for the birds on range, in spite of the additional six weeks required to bring these birds to a six pound weight. The only possible explanation is that considerably more feed was required with range birds, but it was obtained from the pasture. With a good pasture it was possible to almost equal at less expense, the gains made with more costly rations even allowing for the value of pasture consumed. Actual restriction of feed intake to force even greater consumption of pasture

has been advocated but just what the limits of such a program may be is not yet known.

To value of pasture range from the standpoint of sanitation and control of disease is important. A bulletin Pastures for Poultry is available which deals fully with the subject.

DO YOU KNOW
about
TRAVEL RATION
REGULATIONS?

It saves time and trouble when you familiarize yourself with the regulations regarding travel to the United States before you set out on your trip. Here are the facts:

1. The allowance for pleasure travel during the current ration period of November 16th, 1948, to November 15th, 1949, is \$150 U.S. per person (\$100 in the case of children under 11 years old).

2. A Form H permit, obtainable at any bank, is required to take out of Canada amounts exceeding \$10 U.S. or \$25 U.S. and Canadian funds.

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